

## **FACT SHEET**

- The Aging & Adult Services Agency (AASA) is Michigan's designated state unit on aging, formed under the Older Michiganians Act of 1981.
- AASA operates under the authority of the federal Older Americans Act (OAA), which was signed into law in 1965 to meet the diverse needs of the growing numbers of older adults in the United States.
- The OAA set out specific objectives for maintaining the dignity and welfare of older adults and established the National Aging Network.
- The National Aging Network is comprised of the Administration for Community Living at the federal level, state units on aging, and area agencies on aging and local service providers at the local level.
- AASA manages around \$100 million in federal and state (non-Medicaid) funding for home and community-based programs to serve Michigan's older and vulnerable adults through Michigan's aging network.
- Michigan's aging network is comprised of a partnership between the state of Michigan (AASA), 16 regional area agencies on aging, and more than 1,000 local service providers offering older and vulnerable adult and family caregiver services.
- AASA's mission is to provide statewide leadership, direction, and resources to support Michigan's aging, adult services, and disability networks, with the aim of helping residents live with dignity and purpose.
- AASA's vision is for Michigan residents to live well as they age.